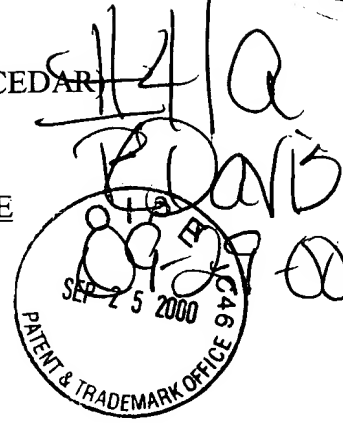


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Dear Sir/Madam:

This is in Response to the Office Action mailed June 20, 2000, for the above-captioned patent application. This response is submitted on or before September 20, 2000. In connection with the above-captioned application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the following amendments.